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In re Application of

Weihrauch.

Application No.: 10/019185

PCT No.: PCT/EP00/06289

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Priority Date: 13 July 1999

Attorney Docket No.: 19071.6

For:

Method For The Manufacture Of Multilayer

Bristle Material, Multilayer Bristle and Use...

DECISION

ON

PETITION

This is a decision on applicant's "Conditional Petition To Revive" filed on 28 December 2001.

BACKGROUND

This international application was filed on 05 July 2000 and claimed an earlier priority date of 13 July 1999. The International Bureau transmitted a copy of the published international application to the USPTO on 16 January 2001. A Demand electing the United States was filed on 29 December 2000, which was prior to the elapse of 19 months from the priority date. Consequently, the thirty month period for payment of the basic national fee in the United States expired as of midnight on 13 January 2002.

On 28 December 2001, applicants filed a Transmittal Letter accompanied by, inter alia, the instant petition and the basic national fee.

DISCUSSION

Review of the record reveals that the basic national fee in this application was filed on 28 December 2001, which was prior to the expiration of the thirty month time period to pay the fee. As a result, this application did not become abandoned with respect to the United States. Therefore, the instant petition is moot.

DECISION

The petition is **DISMISSED AS MOOT**.

This application is being forwarded to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) for further processing. This application will be given an international filing date of 05 July 2000 under 35 U.S.C. 363 and a date of 28 December 2001 under 35 U.S.C. 371.

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